

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—2—The Black Crook.
AMERICAN THEATRE—3—15—Der Vogelheinder.
BIJOU THEATRE—8—20—Hoss and Hoss.
BROADWAY THEATRE—8—The Trust of Society.
CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—10 a. m. until 10 p. m.—
The Dove (gallery)—3—Concert.
CASINO—10—The Gondoliers.
COMMERCE THEATRE—10—The Play On.
DAILY'S THEATRE—8—15—Twelfth Night.
EDEN MUSIC—The World in Wax.
EMPIRE THEATRE—3—15—The Girl I Left Behind Me.
FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE—8—15—The Diplomacy.
GARDEN THEATRE—8—15—Girofle-Giroda.
GRAND OPERA HOUSE—8—Virginia.
HARRISON'S THEATRE—8—Cordelia's Aspirations.
HARLEM OPERA HOUSE—8—15—The Fencing Master.
HOTTS MADISON SQUARE THEATRE—8—30—A Trip to
Imperial.
IMPERIAL MUSIC HALL—Diamantette.
KOSTER & BIAL'S—2—8—Vaudeville.
LYNCOX LYCEUM—1—10—Food Expedition.
LYCEUM THEATRE—8—15—Americans Abroad.
MADISON SQUARE GARDEN—2—8—Barium & Bailey's
National Academy of Design—Exhibition.
PALMER'S THEATRE—8—20—Lady Wincemore's Fan.
STANDARD THEATRE—8—15—The Silent Ballet.
STAR THEATRE—8—15—Brother John.
THE CASTORS THEATRE—8—15—The Village.
UNION SQUARE THEATRE—8—15—Joseph.
14TH STREET THEATRE—8—New Natural Gas.

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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

It is of the utmost importance that the provisions of the Personal-Registration bill which has passed the Assembly should be thoroughly understood, especially by Republican Senators and editors throughout the State. The idea prevails to some extent that in its amended form it is comparatively innocuous, and that no strong reasons exist for fighting it to the bitter end. Reference to our Albany correspondent's letter on this subject, printed in today's paper, will show that that idea is al-

"The Gazette" is of another way of thinking. Hence it is prompted to ask this question :

Does the proposition to make the sale of liquor on Sunday dependent on public opinion in the four cities affected by the Hoesch bill betray a fear of public opinion, or does it not rather manifest a confidence in public opinion ?

No, it does not manifest a confidence in public opinion. No good reason can be assigned why the Legislature should not dispose of this matter. What is there in the nature of the Sunday-opening proposition which takes it out

What would be thought of the practical ability of a manufacturer who made a practice of removing periodically all his foremen and heads of departments and filled their places with raw and inexperienced men? His folly would not be greater than the ignorance and stupidity displayed in the direction of the American consular service. The utility of non-partisanship in the management of Government navy yards and machine shops is now generally conceded. If Secretary Herbert were to discharge all the experienced foremen and the best mechanics in the Brooklyn Navy Yard in order to fill their places with political hee-ers, he would not have a defender in the country. That is because every one perceives that good mechanics rather than active politicians are needed for the construction of a new Navy. But is there any rational explanation for the preposterous system of discharging faithful and competent members of the consular service and rewarding two hundred or more politicians by sending them abroad for work for which they have no special aptitude or qualifications?

The time is surely coming when the consular service will be conducted entirely upon a non-partisan basis. The commercial interests of the country imperatively require the abandon-

The decrease in produce exports from Norway for three weeks has been \$5,500,000, or almost 20 per cent. It therefore seems probable that the aggregate for this month will not be over \$75,000,000, if so much. But imports again exceeded \$15,000,000 last week, and in four weeks have been \$58,650,587, against \$47,776,804 last year. This is the more striking because imports in March of last year were the largest ever known in any month—\$86,570,000—so that the aggregate this month seems likely to exceed \$97,000,000, and the excess of imports over exports would be more than \$21 million. In January and February the excess of imports was nearly \$36,000,000, and the excess of exports this will probably be more than \$58,000,000, whereas last year the excess of exports in the first quarter was \$54,000,000. Practically Europe is trusting this country for something like a third of the products imported, unless securities have been largely bought on foreign account, and while some foreign buying has been observed, there is no evidence that the amount is anything like \$20,000,000 per month. Possibly products sent over here for exhibition at the World's Fair may be included in the value of im-

work last October, and was given an assistant.

Miss Mary L. Hammond, of Nashua, N. H., completed the thirtieth year of her continuous service as a teacher in one building and room, last week.

Owing to illness Dr. Edward Everett Hale did not start the series of lectures on journalism in Boston last week.

The date for Senator Frye's eulogy on James G. Blaine, in Boston, has been changed from May 3 to May 2. It will be delivered in Music Hall.

Secretary Herbert is said to be a hard worker. He often remains at the Navy Department until 7 p.m. answering letters.

Mr. Edward Arnold has republished for Mr. Lecky in a small volume of some sixty pages the Presidential address delivered last October before the Birmingham and Midland Institute, on "The Political Value of History." It is, of course, a subject on which Mr. Lecky is an authority, and his address is full of good suggestions and of